# BEFORE THE OFFICE OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND ETHICS FRANK D. REEVES MUNICIPAL BUILDING 2000-14<sup>th</sup> STREET, N.W., SUITE 420 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20009 (202) 671-0550

IN THE MATTER OF

DATE: September 24, 2003

DOCKET NO.: 03F-074

Public Employee Relations Board

1714-15<sup>th</sup> Street, NW

Washington, DC 20009

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#### **ORDER**

### **Statement of the Case**

This matter came before the Office of Campaign Finance (hereinafter OCF) Office of General Counsel following a determination by its Public Information Records Management Division, that pursuant to the D.C. Code §1-1106.02 (2001 Edition), Iris Green, Member, Public Employee Relations Board, failed to timely file, a Financial Disclosure Statement for calendar year 2002, on or before May 15, 2003 as required by D.C. Official Code §1-1106.02 and also failed to file on or before the OCF sanctioned extended filing deadline of June 19, 2003.

By Notices of Hearing, Statements of Violations and Orders of Appearance dated August 7, 2003, August 20, 2003 and September 3, 2003, OCF ordered Agnes Chase (hereinafter respondent), to appear at scheduled hearings on August 19, 2003, August 28, 2003 and September 15, 2003 and show cause why she should not be found in violation of the D.C. Campaign Finance Reform and Conflict of Interest Act of 1974, as amended by D.C. Official Code §§1-1101.01 et seq., and fined accordingly.

### **Summary of Evidence**

OCF alleges that the respondent failed to timely file the statutorily required Financial Disclosure Statement for calendar year 2002, on or before June 19, 2003.

Respondent failed to appear at the scheduled hearings referenced herein, or to submit an affidavit in explanation of the failure to timely file the required Financial Disclosure Statement.

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### **Findings of Fact**

Having reviewed the allegations and the record herein, I find:

- 1. Respondent was required to file a Financial Disclosure Statement with OCF for calendar year 2002, on or before June 19, 2003.
- 2. Respondent to date has not filed the required Financial Disclosure Statement with OCF for calendar year 2002.
- 3. Respondent to date has not provided an explanation for failing to timely file a Financial Disclosure with OCF for calendar year 2002.
- 4. Respondent is not in compliance with the statute.

## **Conclusions of Law**

Based upon the record provided by OCF, I therefore conclude:

- 1. Respondent violated D.C. Official Code §1-1106.02.
- 2. The penalty established at D.C. Official Code § 1-1103.05(b)(3), and 3 DCMR §§ 3711.2(aa), 3711.2 and 3711.4 for failure to timely file a Financial Disclosure Statement required by D.C. Official Code § 1-1106.02, is a fine of \$50.00 per day for each business day subsequent to the due date.
- 3. In accordance with D.C. Official Code § 1-1103.05(b)(3), the respondent may be fined a maximum of \$2,000.00 for failing to timely file a Financial Disclosure Statement.
- 4. For good cause shown pursuant to 3 DCMR §3711.6, the Director of Campaign Finance (Director) may modify, rescind, dismiss or suspend any fine.
- 5. Respondent has failed to provide a basis for a finding of good cause.

Recommendation	
In view of the foregoing and in recommend that the Director impose a fine	aformation included in the record, I hereby of \$2,000.00 in this matter.
Date	Jean Scott Diggs Hearing Officer
Concurrence	
In view of the foregoing, I hereby c	oncur with the Recommendation.
Date	Kathy S. Williams General Counsel

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# **ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR**

IT IS ORDERED that a fine	e of \$2,000.00 be hereby imposed in this matter.
	Cecily E. Collier-Montgomery Director
SEI  This is to certify that I have served a	true copy of the foregoing Order.
	Rose Rice

# **NOTICE**

**Legal Assistant** 

Pursuant to 3 DCMR §3711.5 (1999), any fine imposed by the Director shall become effective on the 16<sup>th</sup> day following the issuance of a decision and order, if the respondent does not request an appeal of this matter. If applicable, within 10 days of the effective date of this order, please make a check or money order payable to the D.C. Treasurer, c/o Office of Campaign Finance, Suite 420, 2000-14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009.